The mission of the TLT program is to develop leadership skills in youth who will generate positive action within the community and help resolve future challenges.

Tomorrow’s Leaders Today

TLT is a youth leadership program sponsored by the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce Foundation.

TLT participants are area high school seniors with a variety of interests, experiences and talents.

TLT sessions are held six days (November through March) out of school with full credit, concluding with an evening graduation.

TLT provides an opportunity to learn more about the area and the importance of community service to our future.

TLT brings students together with business and community leaders to identify and discuss community issues, leadership and career opportunities.

Opening retreat lunch with community leaders.

Tomorrow’s Leaders Today/Leadership Joplin joint session.
Session 1 Opening Retreat
Wednesday, November 7, 2018
Meet the TLT class representing area high schools. Get acquainted with community leaders and practice team building.

Session 2 Government & Law
Wednesday, December 5, 2018
Meet city, county and state officials to discuss what’s new in government and law enforcement. Learn the latest in local crime fighting.

Session 3 Business & Industry
Wednesday, January 9, 2019
Tour local businesses and industries to learn about the business diversity that keeps the local economy strong.

Session 4 Leadership Development/Community Service
Wednesday, February 6, 2019
Discuss current community needs with the volunteers and leaders who make things happen!

Session 5 Health Care
Tuesday, March 5, 2019
See the latest in medical technology and talk to hospital officials about career opportunities in health care.

Session 6 Tomorrow’s Leaders Today/Leadership Joplin Joint Session
Wednesday, March 27, 2019
Meet, engage and collaborate with community leaders who are members of the Leadership Joplin class in this highly interactive, fun and fast-paced session!

Graduation
Thursday, April 11, 2019
Join your classmates, parents, sponsors, school representatives and the Chamber committee for an evening celebration dinner and farewell.

Times: All sessions are 8 am-3 pm, and are excused absences from school. Lunch is included.

Eligibility
Seniors at Joplin, McAuley, Carl Junction, Webb City and Carthage high schools, College Heights Christian School and Thomas Jefferson Independent Day School may apply.

Program Requirements
Demonstrate leadership or leadership potential in family, community and/or school activities and show a desire to develop additional leadership skills.

Express an interest in furthering their knowledge of the Joplin region, specifically Jasper and Newton counties.

Commit to full participation in Tomorrow’s Leaders Today. Attendance at the retreat, graduation and the five day-long sessions is required. See dates at left.

Selection Process
Selection is a two-step process. All written applications and counselor recommendation will be reviewed by a selection panel. All students will be interviewed and considered for the class of about 40 students. Final selection is based upon the information provided on the application, the counselor recommendation and personal interview.

Note: Due to limited class size and our commitment to create a diverse mix of participants, it is not possible to include all qualified applicants.

Application forms are available at www.joplincc.com or in the school’s guidance office and must be returned to your counselor by Monday, September 24, 2018.

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